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In re Application of:)
Gary K. Michelson, M.D.) Group Art Unit: 3738
Serial No.: 09/991,247) Examiner: P. Prebilic
Filed: November 13, 2001)
For: RATCHETED BONE DOWEL) Confirmation No.: 4911

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated August 13, 2003, the period for reply having been extended for one (1) month by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a reply to the Office Action dated August 13, 2003 in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Applicant hereby requests a (1) month extension of time to respond to the above office action.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form 1449 with (1) document enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

THIS FEE HAS BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:									
	(Col. 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Col. 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		(Col. 3) PRESENT EXTRA*	LG \$ ENTITY FEE		ADD'L FEE DUE	
TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	87	-	21	=	66	LG=\$18	\$18	\$1188.00	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE	3	-	3	=	0	LG=\$86	\$86		
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS						LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$280			\$
Information Disclosure Statement Under CFR §1.97(c)								\$180.00	
Three (1) month extension fee (large entity)								\$110.00	
TOTAL								\$1,478.00	

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,478.00 to cover the above fees, (1) month extension of time, and the Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies of fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1066. **A copy of this sheet is enclosed.**
- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17

Respectfully submitted,

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